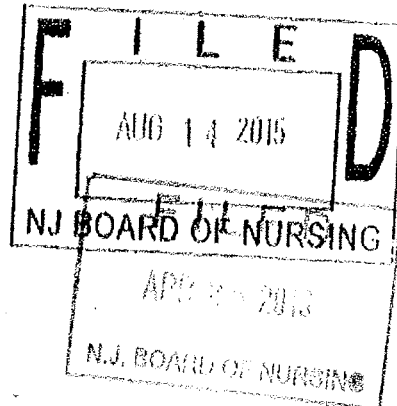


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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION :
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF :

Denise W. Postell, C.R.H.A. :
Certificate No. 26NH14959100 :

HOMEMAKER-HOME HEALTH AIDE :
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY :

FINAL

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

PROVISIONAL ORDER OF
DISCIPLINE

*Final Order of Discipline
April, 28, 2016 ex/28/16*

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (the "Board") upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and upon which the following preliminary findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Denise W. Postell ("Respondent") is a certified homemaker-home health aide in the State of New Jersey and has been a licensee at all times relevant hereto. (Exhibit A).

2. Upon receipt of a flagging notice indicating that Respondent was arrested on December 18, 2014 by the Freehold Township Police for violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-11C(3) (1) Count, Shoplifting More Than \$200.00 But Less Than \$500.00, the Board sent a letter of inquiry, requesting certain information and submission of documents, to Respondent's address of record in Freehold, New Jersey, via regular and certified mail on or about January 15, 2015. A response was due within twenty (20) days. The certified mailing was returned as "Unclaimed." (Exhibit B). The regular mailing was not returned.

3. To date, Respondent has not responded to the Board's request for information.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent's failure to respond to the Board's request for information constitutes a failure to cooperate with a Board investigation, in contravention of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2 and 1.3, which the Board deems professional misconduct pursuant to

N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e), subjecting Respondent to disciplinary action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h).

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 14th day of August, 2015,
ORDERED that:

1. Upon the filing of a FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE, Respondent's certificate to practice as a homemaker-home health aide will be suspended until such time as Respondent cooperates fully with the Board's investigation by providing the Board with the information requested in the Board's letter of inquiry.

2. Upon the filing of a FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE, Respondent will be assessed a civil penalty in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200). Payment shall be made by certified check or money order, payable to the State of New Jersey, delivered to Twalema Khonje, Board Staff, State Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101. Payment shall be made no later than 15 days after the entry of any Final Order of Discipline in this matter. In the event Respondent fails to make a timely payment, a certificate of debt shall be filed in accordance with N.J.S.A 45:1-24 and the Board may bring such other proceedings as authorized by law.

3. Upon the filing of a FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE, Respondent shall, within 5 (five) days, mail her certificate, wall and wallet version, to practice as a homemaker-home health aide to Twalema Khonje, Board Staff, State Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101.

4. The within order shall be subject to finalization by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30th day following entry hereof unless Respondent requests a modification or dismissal of the above stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by:

- a) Submitting a written request for modification or dismissal to Twalema Khonje, Board Staff, State Board of Nursing, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101.
- b) Setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed.
- c) Submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting Respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor or offered in mitigation of penalty.

5. Any submissions will be reviewed by the Board and the Board will thereafter determine whether further proceedings are necessary. If no material discrepancies are raised through a supplemental submission during the thirty-day period, or if the Board is not persuaded that the submitted materials merit further consideration, a Final Order of Discipline will be entered.

6. In the event that Respondent's submissions establish a need for further proceedings, including, but not limited to an evidentiary hearing, Respondent shall be notified with regard thereto. In the event that an evidentiary hearing is ordered, the preliminary findings of fact and conclusions of law contained herein may serve as notice of the factual and legal allegations in such proceeding. Further, in the event a hearing is held and upon review of the record, the Board shall not be limited to the findings, conclusions and sanctions stated herein.

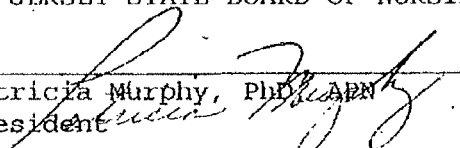
7. In the event that the Board receives no written request for modification or dismissal within 30 days following entry of this Provisional Order, without further Board review, all referenced preliminary Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and all provisional sanctions or penalties imposed by this Order shall automatically become the Final Decision and Order of the Board. Thereafter, Respondent's failure to comply with any sanction or penalty imposed by this Order shall be considered a violation of a Board Order in contravention of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (e) and (h) and N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.4 and may subject Respondent to additional sanction and/or penalty.

8. The Board reserves the right to initiate disciplinary proceedings based upon any information that Respondent

ultimately provides in response to the letter of inquiry or upon any new information the Board receives.

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